

*Honoring*  
**MICHAEL CARL DENDORFER**

*On His Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, *Michael Carl Dendorfer, Data Processing Manager II in Headquarters' Technology Services Division, retired on May 16, 2005, after thirty-one years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Michael began his career with the Department of Finance on February 4, 1974, as an Assistant Auditor and, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Associate Auditor and later to the positions of Staff Auditor and Senior Auditor; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Michael then joined the Office of the Auditor General in July 1979, advancing to the positions of Senior Financial Auditor and Senior Electronic Data Processing Specialist, and in 1989 was awarded a Sustained Superior Accomplishment Award for exemplary personal and professional achievement; and*

**WHEREAS**, *in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he was appointed to the position of Data Processing Manager II with the Board of Equalization, Technology Services Division in December 1992; and*

**WHEREAS**, *throughout his many years of service, Michael has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it*

**RESOLVED**, *that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Michael Carl Dendorfer our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

*Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of May 2005, by the State Board of Equalization.*

*Honoring*  
***GAIL FINCHER***  
*On Her Retirement*

***WHEREAS***, Gail Fincher, Tax Technician II in the Santa Rosa District Office, will retire on June 30, 2005, after twelve years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

***WHEREAS***, Gail began her career with the Board of Equalization on January 19, 1993, as an Office Assistant in the Santa Rosa District Office; and

***WHEREAS***, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Program Technician Trainee, then advancing to the positions of Tax Technician I and Tax Technician II; and

***WHEREAS***, throughout her many years of service, Gail has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

***RESOLVED***, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Gail Fincher our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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*Honoring*  
**GREGORY L. GALE**  
*On His Retirement*

***WHEREAS***, Gregory (Greg) Gale, Tax Auditor in the West Covina District Office, will retire on June 17, 2005, after more than twenty-four years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

***WHEREAS***, Greg began his career as an Auditor I in the San Bernardino District Office of the State Board of Equalization on June 9, 1980; and

***WHEREAS***, he was promoted to Tax Auditor II a year later on June 9, 1981; and

***WHEREAS***, Greg transferred to the Arcadia District Office on November 1, 1982, and thereafter was assigned to work in the Covina Branch Office; and

***WHEREAS***, he worked in the Industry District Office after the Arcadia District and Covina Branch Office were consolidated on December 5, 1994, during the Fourth District reorganization; and

***WHEREAS***, Greg is completing his career in the West Covina District Office which was relocated from the City of Industry in July 2000; and

***WHEREAS***, throughout his many years of service as a Tax Auditor, Greg has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

***RESOLVED***, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Gregory L. Gale our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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*Honoring*  
**DAVID L. MAXWELL**

*On His Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, David L. Maxwell, Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in the West Covina District Office, will retire on August 1, 2005, after twenty-eight years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, David began his career with the Franchise Tax Board on July 14, 1974, as a Tax Representative; and

**WHEREAS**, after leaving state service on March 15, 1977, David was reinstated on March 11, 1980, in the Hollywood District Office of the Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he was assigned duties of increasing responsibility including Sergeant-at-Arms to the Board for 1984 and 1985 meetings held in the Arcadia District Office, and was the Fourth District representative on the Statewide Training Committee for three years beginning in 1984; and

**WHEREAS**, David transferred to the Arcadia District Office on August 31, 1984, and was later promoted to Business Taxes Compliance Specialist in the Hollywood District Office on August 1, 1989; and

**WHEREAS**, he ably served in the Hollywood District Office until it closed on October 31, 1994, and then was assigned to the Arcadia District Office which became the Industry District Office in December 1994, and was relocated to West Covina in July 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, David was a lead instructor of the District's monthly Basic Sales Tax Seminar and conducted training classes at the annual Small Business Tax Fairs, thus making an important contribution towards taxpayer education; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his many years of service, David has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to David L. Maxwell our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

Adopted at Sacramento, California, this twenty-fourth day of May 2005, by the State Board of Equalization.

*Honoring*  
**MICHAEL MULHOLLAND**

*On His Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, *Michael Mulholland, Business Taxes Specialist I in the New York Out-of-State District Office, retired on May 18, 2005, after thirty-five years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

**WHEREAS**, *Michael began his career with the Board of Equalization on June 24, 1969, as a Tax Auditor in the New York District Office; and*

**WHEREAS**, *as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, he advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Tax Auditor II; and*

**WHEREAS**, *in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he was appointed to the position of Tax Auditor III in October 1971, and Auditor IV in October 1985; and*

**WHEREAS**, *throughout his many years of service, Michael has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it*

**RESOLVED**, *that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Michael Mulholland our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

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*Honoring*  
**JANET NICKLESS**  
*On Her Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, Janet Nickless, Tax Technician II in Headquarters' Tax Area Services Section, Assessment Policy and Standards Division, Property and Special Taxes Department, retired on April 30, 2005, after thirty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, Janet began her career with the State of California in 1967 as a Teletype Operator with the California Highway Patrol, and advanced to a Word Processing Technician working in the Department of General Services, Department of Finance, and the State Controller's Office respectively; and

**WHEREAS**, after four years of self-employment, Janet reinstated to state service in 1992 with the Board as a Word Processing Technician in the Property Taxes Department's Word Processing Center; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1998, Janet served in the Property and Special Taxes Department's Tax Area Services Section where she was responsible for its printing and data imaging operations, including providing the 58 county assessors and auditors with copies of Tax Rate Area Maps; and

**WHEREAS**, because Janet performed her duties throughout her career with skill and dedication, she will be greatly missed: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Janet Nickless our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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*Honoring*  
**PATRICIA OLMOS**  
*On Her Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, Patricia Olmos, Tax Technician III in the Out-of-State (Sacramento) District Office, retired on April 22, 2005, after twenty-eight years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, Patricia began her career with the Board of Equalization on January 16, 1978, as an Assistant Clerk in Headquarter's Collections Unit; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, she advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Office Assistant II, and, after ably serving the Collections Unit, Patricia moved to the Out-of-State (Sacramento) District Office, advancing to the position of Tax Technician II; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of her outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, she was appointed to the position of Tax Technician II on September 7, 1993, and Tax Technician III on July 7, 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout her many years of service, Patricia has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Patricia Olmos our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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*Honoring*  
**BARBARA J. ORTEGA**  
*On Her Retirement*

***WHEREAS**, Barbara J. Ortega, Secretary in the Van Nuys District Office, retired on February 21, 2005, after twenty-eight years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS**, Barbara began her career with the Board of Equalization on September 1, 1959, as an Intermediate Stenographer in the Van Nuys District Office; and*

***WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work, demonstrated ability and dedication to the Board, Barbara advanced to the position of Senior Stenographer (now known as Secretary) in 1964; and*

***WHEREAS**, on June 16, 1967, Barbara separated from State service to be with her family, returning February 19, 1985, as a Secretary I in the Van Nuys District Office; and*

***WHEREAS**, throughout her many years of service, Barbara has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it*

***RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Barbara J. Ortega our sincere and grateful appreciation for her dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on her well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to her and her family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

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*Honoring*  
**CLINTON J. PAUL, JR.**

*On His Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, Clinton J. Paul, Jr., Business Taxes Specialist II in Headquarters' Legal Department, Investigations Division, will retire on June 1, 2005, after twenty years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, Clinton began his career with the Board of Equalization on May 20, 1985, as a Tax Auditor in the Oakland District Office; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of diligent work and demonstrated ability, Clinton advanced to positions of increasing responsibility, first earning appointment to the position of Associate Tax Auditor in the Petitions Section, before moving to the Fuel Taxes Investigation and Enforcement Section, and advancing to the position of Business Taxes Specialist I; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of his outstanding leadership skills and proven professionalism, he was appointed to the position of Business Taxes Specialist II in January 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his many years of service, Clinton has served the people of this state with fairness and dedication: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Clinton J. Paul, Jr. our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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*Honoring*  
**GARY F. PLATZ**  
*On His Retirement*

**WHEREAS**, Gary F. Platz, Principal Property Appraiser in Headquarters' County Property Tax Division, Timber Tax Section, will retire on June 1, 2005, after more than twenty-eight years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and

**WHEREAS**, after graduating with a degree in Forest Management from Humboldt State University, Gary began his career in 1972 as a Forest Property Appraiser with Humboldt County, and became a Registered Professional Forester in 1975; and

**WHEREAS**, he joined the Board in 1977 as an Associate Forest Property Appraiser; was promoted to Senior Forest Property Appraiser in 1993, and was promoted to Principal Property Appraiser in 1998, where he directed the activities of the Timber Tax Section; and

**WHEREAS**, during his tenure with the Board, Gary has consistently demonstrated a high level of technical expertise as he assisted the Board and county assessors in their implementation of the timber yield tax system; and

**WHEREAS**, the respect he has earned throughout the timber industry and the property tax assessment community, his integrity, and his outstanding service to the people of California attest to the high level of his ability and his dedication to serving the people of this state: Therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Gary F. Platz our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.

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*Honoring*  
**DANIEL TYLER**  
*On His Retirement*

***WHEREAS**, Daniel Tyler, Office Technician in the San Francisco District Office, will retire on May 24, 2005, after more than thirty-three years of outstanding and meritorious service to the State of California and the State Board of Equalization; and*

***WHEREAS**, he began his state career with the Franchise Tax Board in April 1972 as a Clerk I, then took a position as an Office Assistant II with the State Board of Equalization in October 1972, and through diligent effort and dedication to the Board, advanced to his present position; and*

***WHEREAS**, Daniel has performed his duties throughout his service to the Board in a conscientious and responsible manner; and*

***WHEREAS**, he has set an example of dedication to principle which has been an inspiration to his fellow employees; and*

***WHEREAS**, Daniel, in all his endeavors, has reflected great credit upon the Board of Equalization and the Department of Sales and Use Tax: Therefore be it*

***RESOLVED**, that we, the Members of the Board, do hereby extend to Daniel Tyler our sincere and grateful appreciation for his dedicated service to the State Board of Equalization and to the State of California, our congratulations on his well-earned retirement, and our best wishes to him and his family for continued success, happiness, and good health in the years to come.*

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